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<p>(54) Title: PRODUCTION OF RECOMBINANT MONELLIN USING METHYLOTROPHIC YEAST EXPRESSION SYSTEM</p> <p>(57) Abstract.</p> <p>The present invention relates to a single-chain monellin-like protein which is stable and which is at least 100-fold sweet as compared to sucrose on the weight basis. The present invention also relates to a nucleic acid encoding said monellin-like protein. Preferably, the nucleic acid further comprises a promoter and a signal sequence for directing expression and secretion of the encoded monellin-like protein in the methylotrophic yeast <i>Pichia pastoris</i>. The present invention further relates to a recombinant <i>Pichia pastoris</i> cell containing the nucleic acid encoding the monellin-like protein, a process for producing the monellin-like protein from the recombinant <i>Pichia pastoris</i> and product of the process.</p>		